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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (currently amended) A system for providing Internet addresses corresponding to an electronic signal to a user, the system comprising:

a receiver for receiving a plurality of electronic signals each corresponding to a program, the plurality of electronic signals including one or more Internet addresses embedded therein;

a decoder in communication with the receiver, the decoder for extracting the one or more Internet addresses from the plurality of electronic signals;

a processor in communication with the decoder, the processor for automatically compiling a historical list of the Internet addresses extracted from the plurality of electronic signals without requiring selection of the Internet addresses by the user, wherein the processor includes memory for storing the historical list and program source information indicating the program from which each Internet address was extracted; and

a web browser connected to the processor, the web browser for presenting the historical list of the Internet addresses and the associated program source information to the user.

2. (original) The system of claim 1, wherein the processor is further operable to receive a signal from the user indicating a selected Internet address from the historical list and provide a connection to a web page associated with the selected Internet address.

3. (original) The system of claim 1, wherein the receiver includes a set-top box.

4. (original) The system of claim 1, wherein the receiver includes a home gateway.

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5. (original) The system of claim 1, wherein the processor includes a personal computer.

6. (original) The system of claim 1, wherein the processor includes a web tablet.

7. (original) The system of claim 1, further comprising a first display in communication with the processor.

8. (previously presented) The system of claim 7, wherein the processor is in communication with the receiver, and the plurality of electronic signals is displayed on the first display.

9. (previously presented) The system of claim 1, further comprising a second display in communication with the receiver for displaying the plurality of electronic signals to the user.

10. (original) The system of claim 9, wherein the second display includes a television set.

11. (canceled)

12. (previously presented) The system of claim 1, further comprising a tuner in communication with the receiver for tuning to a selected one of the plurality of electronic signals.

13. (canceled)

14. (original) The system of claim 1, wherein the historical list includes Internet addresses extracted over an amount of time selectable by the user.

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15. (original) The system of claim 1, wherein the historical list includes Internet addresses of a number selectable by the user.

16. (canceled)

17. (previously presented) The system of claim 1, wherein the plurality of electronic signals includes video signals.

18. (previously presented) The system of claim 1, wherein the plurality of electronic signals includes audio signals.

19. (previously presented) The system of claim 1, wherein the plurality of electronic signals includes combined video and audio signals.

20. (original) The system of claim 1, wherein the Internet addresses include uniform resource locators (URLs).

21. (previously) The system of claim 1, wherein the Internet addresses are embedded in a vertical blanking interval of the plurality of electronic signals.

22. (currently amended) A method for providing Internet addresses corresponding to an electronic signal to a user, the method comprising:

receiving a plurality of electronic signals each corresponding to a program, wherein the plurality of electronic signals includes one or more Internet addresses embedded therein;

extracting the Internet addresses from the plurality of electronic signals;

automatically compiling and storing a historical list of the Internet addresses extracted from the plurality of electronic signals and program source information without requiring selection of the Internet addresses by the user, the program source information indicating the program from which each Internet address was extracted; and

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presenting the historical list of the Internet addresses and the associated program source information to the user.

23. (original) The method of claim 22, further comprising receiving a signal from the user indicating a selected Internet address from the historical list and providing a connection to a web page associated with the selected Internet address.

24. (previously presented) The method of claim 22, further comprising displaying the plurality of electronic signals to the user.

25. (canceled)

26. (previously presented) The method of claim 22, further comprising tuning to a selected one of the plurality of electronic signals.

27. (canceled)

28. (original) The method of claim 22, wherein presenting the historical list to the user includes presenting Internet addresses extracted over an amount of time selectable by the user.

29. (original) The method of claim 22, wherein presenting the historical list to the user includes presenting Internet addresses of a number selectable by the user.

30. (canceled)

31. (previously presented) The method of claim 22, wherein receiving the plurality of electronic signals includes receiving video signals.

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32. (previously presented) The method of claim 22, wherein receiving the plurality of electronic signals includes receiving audio signals.

33. (previously presented) The method of claim 22, wherein receiving the plurality of electronic signals includes receiving combined video and audio signals.

34. (previously presented) The method of claim 22, wherein extracting the Internet addresses includes extracting uniform resource locators (URLs).

35. (previously presented) The method of claim 22, wherein extracting the Internet addresses includes extracting the Internet addresses from a vertical blanking interval of the plurality of electronic signals.